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In re application of

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For: **INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE COMPONENT AND METHOD FOR THE  
PRODUCTION THEREOF**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.